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1. TITLE OF NEWSPAPER		2. DATE OF FILING
The Salem Special		10-01-03
3. FREQUENCY OF ISSUE	3A. NO. OF ISSUES PUBLISHED ANNUALLY	3B. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION PRICE
Weekly	52	$24.53/$25.94/$28.00

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6. FULL NAME OF PUBLISHER:

Troy Schwans

7. OWNER (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and list on the back of this form the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a partnership or other unincorporated firm, its name and address, as well as that of each individual must be given.

FULL NAME	COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS
Schwans Publications, Inc.,	P.O. Box 220, Salem, SD 57058

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2. Mail Subscription (Paid and or requested)	1412	1381
C. TOTAL PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION (Sum of 9B1 and 9B2)	1509	1482
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2. Return from News Agents	0	0
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SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF PUBLISHER, BUSINESS MANAGER OR OWNER

Troy Schwans, Owner

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Tamara E. Paulsen

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